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SUBJ: AGRICULTURE: WHEAT AND FLOUR PRICES

REF: LA PAZ 2806

A. PRESENT PRICE OF FLOUR AT THE MILL CR\$50 PER 50- KILO BAG OR
US\$165 PER METRIC TON.

B. PRESENT PRICE OF WHEAT AT THE MILL (INCLUDING TAX) IS CR\$658
PER MT OR US\$110 PER MT.

C. EXPORT EXCHANGE RATE FOR WHEAT AND FLOUR IS CR\$6.06 PER US
DOLLAR.

D. WHEAT OR FLOUR EXPORT NOT PROHIBITED. HOWEVER CURRENT EXPORT
PROHIBITION ON WHEAT BRAN.

E. IMPORT EXCHANGE CR\$6.06 PER US DOLLAR. IMPORT TAXES FOR WHEAT
ARE 15 PERCENT. TAX ON FLOUR IS VARIABLE DEPENDING ON INTERNAL
PRICE. NO SET FORMULA ESTABLISHED.

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F. SUBSIDY ON FLOUR - NONE.

G. PRICE OF FLOUR ONE YEAR AGO US\$146 PER MT.

H. PRICE OF WHEAT ONE YEAR AGO US\$95 PER MT.

I. EXCHANGE RATE ONE YEAR AGO CR\$5.88 PER US DOLLAR.

COMMENT: THERE COULD BE A MARKET FOR BOLIVIAN FLOUR AT \$ B126.50
PER QUINTAL OR US\$138 PER MT BECAUSE IT IS 16 PERCENT CHEAPER
THAN THE BRAZILIAN MIXED PRICE. HOWEVER, EXCEPT FOR TITLE II
WHEAT FLOUR BRAZIL DOES NOT IMPORT FLOUR.
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